

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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~~CROWN PROTECTION DEVICE FOR WRISTWATCH~~

The device includes a cover ~~(7)~~ for concealing or revealing a crown ~~(5)~~, via a relative rotation of the crown ~~(5)~~ and an external casing element. In a preferred embodiment, the cover ~~(7)~~ is secured to a ring ~~(21, 22)~~ slide friction mounted in an annular groove at the base of the middle part ~~(9)~~ and held in place by a washer ~~(26)~~ provided with lugs ~~(16)~~ in order to be screwed into the horns ~~(17, 17a)~~ of the middle part ~~(9)~~.

~~Figures 1 and 5~~